

Firefighting was in Jim Miller's blood. Both his uncle and father were firefighters and he passed on much of his wisdom to his son-in-law. He also considered all those at his station to be part of his extended family and treated them as such. He made it a point to visit his station when returning to Lockport Township from his retirement home in Florida to see his old colleagues. During these trips he would marvel at the new technology and increased number of firefighters. Firefighters then and now know that without his courage to keep the station afloat in the 1980s, these improvements might not have been possible.

Mr. Miller was preceded in death by daughter Jodi Miller and survived by his loving and devoted wife of 54 years, Jyme, and his children Jami, Kelly, and Jim.

Please join me in honoring the life of Jim Miller. He was a brave and selfless public servant. His contributions to Lockport Township and his life of service will not be forgotten.

HONORING MARILYN A. BOK

HON. TOM MARINO

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 26, 2011

Mr. MARINO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of my constituent, Marilyn A. Bok, on the occasion of her retirement.

After completing high school, Marilyn attended the College of St. Rose, where she earned her Bachelor's Degree in chemistry. She then went on to earn her Master's Degree in Public Administration from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

Before starting the Community Foundation for the Twin Tiers, Marilyn taught, owned a consulting and research firm, served as Chair of the Board of Commissioners of Bradford County, and served as Director of Rural Services Institute at Mansfield University. Additionally, Marilyn wrote several grants for startup funding for the Bradford County Dental Clinic, the Family Literacy Program, and the Bradford County Tobacco Cessation Program.

Marilyn Bok began her tenure with the Community Foundation for Twin Tiers in 2001, having served as both volunteer Board Chair and CEO after founding the organization.

Marilyn has always had a strong commitment to volunteering in her community. She has served as President for numerous organizations, including: Penn York Opportunities for the Handicapped, Inc.; Valley Jaycees; and Greater Valley Youth Activities Council. Marilyn has also chaired over numerous committees, including: Regional Workforce 90s Task Force; Executive Committee Northern Tier Regional Planning Commission; and Endless Mountains Heritage Park Management Committee. In 2009, Marilyn was recognized by WATS/WAVR as Individual of the Year for her many contributions to her community.

Marilyn and her husband, Edward, are the proud parents of four and grandparents of eight. They have resided in the Wyoming Valley for over 45 years.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor my constituent, Marilyn Bok, on the occasion of her retirement and ask my colleagues to join in praising her commitment to community and country.

HONORING THE WORK OF ALEX KANKULA

HON. STEVE ISRAEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 26, 2011

Mr. ISRAEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay special tribute to Alex Kankula's dedication and commitment to helping our nation's veterans. Mr. Kankula is a distinguished veteran of both World War II and the Korean War serving in both the United States Navy and Coast Guard.

After his discharge from active duty, Mr. Kankula selflessly dedicated the next thirty years of his life to improving the lives of our nation's veterans. Mr. Kankula has been a volunteer at the Northport VA Medical Center in New York for three decades. Over the years he's been an advocate for homeless veterans by working in halfway houses in four different Long Island towns. Seeing the tremendous need our homeless veterans face every day, he's worked in the community to collect clothing, food, house wares, and furniture for these veterans.

Mr. Kankula's leadership also paved the way for the creation of two new programs at the Northport VA Medical Center. He recognized the need for nursing home patients to have a recreational outlet and established a wheelchair dock-fishing program. The nursing home patients look forward to this excursion and visit local waterways for a fun day of fishing several times a year. Mr. Kankula then went on to create an "Adopt a Vet" program to ensure nursing home patients were always remembered on their birthdays and holidays. He connects the veteran patients with community members who send birthday cards, holiday greetings, and letters. The creation of these two programs has raised the morale of countless veterans.

I offer my recognition of Alex Kankula's unwavering dedication to our nation's veterans. His patriotic spirit and selfless devotion has improved the lives of veterans and serves as an example for all Americans.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF SANFORD "CORKY" KURLAND

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 26, 2011

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise to remember Sanford "Corky" Kurland, co-founder and owner of Corky & Lenny's, the popular Cleveland-area restaurant and deli. Corky passed away last Saturday after a long illness.

Corky Kurland was a native Cleveland and a 1948 graduate of Glenville High School. He worked with his father Carl Kurland on a food truck and helped at a small grocery store that his parents bought on Union Avenue. After graduating from meat cutting school in Toledo, he went to work at the Miami Restaurant at East 105th and Euclid in the then-bustling Uptown section of Cleveland. He enlisted in the U.S. Army and became a chef at Fort Benning, Georgia, in 1952. When he returned to Cleveland, he took a job as a counterman and manager at Eddie Sands Deli

at Cedar Center in South Euclid. When Sands decided to sell his deli, Corky Kurland became a partner with Dave Katz, who already owned a deli on Lakeshore Boulevard. After a year, Katz wanted to stay on Lakeshore and sold his share of the business to Corky and Lenny Kaden, a mutual friend who was then in the menswear business. Corky and Lenny became partners and renamed the business "Corky & Lenny's" in 1956. In 1973, Corky and Lenny opened a second deli on Chagrin Boulevard in Woodmere. In 1991, Corky's son Kenny and his nephew Earl Stein bought out Lenny Kaden's share of the business and the three have been partners ever since. The partners closed the Cedar Center location in 1994 but celebrated 55 years in business recently at the Chagrin Boulevard store.

Corky & Lenny's is a true meeting place. Many business deals have occurred there, as have many blind dates, some that became marriages. Corky & Lenny's is a magnet for celebrities when they come to town. Actors and comedians such as Totie Fields, Liberace, Joel Gray, Shecky Greene, Sammy Davis Jr., Jackie Mason, Frankie Valli; athletes including Jim Thome, Zydrunas Ilgauskas, Mike Brown, Moe Vaughn, Wally Szcwabiak, and Mike Holmgren; and elected officials, including Howard Metzenbaum and John Glenn have been spotted there. I have been a patron of Corky & Lenny's since my days as a caddy at east-side golf courses while still a teenager. I had breakfast there just last week. And as usual, I saw people there whom I have known for many years.

Corky Kurland was active in his community and liked to spend time with his family. He was a frequent traveler who made friends wherever he went. He was a member of Beth Am and B'nai Jeshurun synagogues, the Knights of Pythias, the Masons, the Kiwanis, the Beachwood Chamber of Commerce, the Jewish Community Center, the Jewish War Veterans, the Lake Forest Country Club and the Hawthorne Country Club.

Mr. Speaker and respected colleagues, please join me in mourning the loss of Sanford "Corky" Kurland. I send my sincere condolences to his wife of 57 years, Gloria; his son Kenny; his daughter Dr. Susan Kurland Rapkin; his sister Helen Manheim; his 6 grandchildren; his extended family; his many friends, and the loyal patrons of Corky & Lenny's.

EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR FDA'S APPROVAL OF ARTIFICIAL PANCREAS TECHNOLOGIES

HON. JOHN KLINE

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 26, 2011

Mr. KLINE. Mr. Speaker, I offer the following statement urging the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to move forward in the approval process of artificial pancreas technologies and issue draft guidance no later than December 1, 2011.

Diabetes is a common, serious, and costly disease that poses a major public health problem. Diabetes affects more than 25 million adults and children in the United States or 8.3 percent of the population. One out of every